

## Disneyland USA

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The Disneyland Story	<p><b>DATE</b> - October 27, 1954</p> <p><b>SUMMARY</b> - The premiere episode of the <i>Disneyland</i> television series on ABC. Tinker Bell begins her second career as the Disney television hostess, showing us the four lands that make up Disneyland the show and Disneyland the park: Frontierland, Tomorrowland, Adventureland, and Fantasyland.</p> <p>We begin on the bustling lot of the Walt Disney Studios in Burbank, California. Screen stars Kirk Douglas, Peter Lorre, and James Mason are working on <i>20,000 Leagues Under the Sea</i>. Animators are busy using a life model to assist in the animation of <i>Sleeping Beauty</i>'s Briar Rose. But the biggest excitement is in the "Plans Room," where we meet Walt Disney, who introduces to us the concept of Disneyland. Through large maps and models, he sets the stage for what is to come in the first season of the show and what to expect from the anxiously awaited new theme park.</p> <p>From Frontierland, Walt introduces us to Norman Foster, the director of what would become the biggest Disney television hit, <i>Davy Crockett</i>. Davy himself, Fess Parker, is on hand to sing the first public performance of "The Ballad of Davy Crockett."</p> <p>Next is Adventureland, where <i>True Life Adventures</i> producer Ben Sharpsteen takes us on a global journey of all the exotic lands and cultures that will be presented on the show, from the marine iguanas of Galapagos Island to the reindeer of Lapland to the fearless bull-fighters of Portugal.</p> <p>On to Tomorrowland, where famed Disney animator Ward Kimball pontificates on the wonders of space and how man will journey to the Moon and beyond through the advent of exciting new technologies.</p> <p>Walt himself presents Fantasyland, home to Peter Pan's Neverland, Alice's Wonderland and a whole new "world of imagination."</p> <p>Describing Disneyland, as Uncle Remus would say, as everyone's "laughing place," Walt leads us into the "Ev'rybody's Got a Laughin' Place" sequence from <i>Song of the South</i> (rare to see on DVD), and then concludes the program with a retrospective of Mickey Mouse's career, for "it all started with a mouse."</p> <p>Included are clips of Mickey and his famous pals, including Minnie Mouse in <i>Plane Crazy</i>, Pluto in <i>The Pointer</i>, and Donald Duck and Goofy in <i>Lonesome Ghosts</i> (shown in its entirety). Mickey takes center stage in his most famous role as "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" from <i>Fantasia</i>, also shown in full.</p> <p><b>IMAGE TYPE</b> - Black &amp; White</p> <p><b>PREFACE</b> - Leonard Maltin discusses Walt Disney's reluctance to embrace television and eventual deal with ABC to finance Disneyland.</p>